

## **1995 Hall of Fame Inductee**

### **Floyd J. Doering**

Floyd J. Doering was born and raised on a dairy farm in the Green Bay area and educated in a two-room country school. He received a bachelor's degree in agriculture education from UW-River Falls and received a Master's Degree from UW-Madison.

Floyd taught vocational agriculture at Wittenberg High School for 16 years. He was the State FFA Advisor and State Supervisor for Agriculture Education at the Department of Public Instruction for 22 years. He is the author of "A History of Vocational Agriculture in Wisconsin 1900-1976," as well as other publications.

Floyd was instrumental in establishing the FFA Alumni in the state and nation. He served on the National FFA Alumni Council from 1975 to 1981, and was president in 1980. He served in World War II as First Sergeant in New Guinea, New Britain, Biak, the Philippines, and Japan and was with the first occupation troops in Japan.

Floyd has been the recipient of the Man of the Year by the Tri-State Breeders Cooperative, Outstanding State Supervisor in the nation by the National Association of State Supervisors, the Wisconsin Federation of Cooperatives' Cooperative Builders Award, UW River Falls Distinguished Agriculturist Award, the National FFA Alumni Association Outstanding Achievement Award and Meritorious Service & Leadership Award. Floyd also received the State and American Degrees, along with the Life Membership Award from the National Association of Vocational Agriculture Teachers.

In retirement, Floyd has become a nationally recognized speaker, frequently requested for FFA banquets, other agribusiness and civic group conferences, and conventions. Floyd has two daughters, Barbara Groshek of Cudahy and Mary Weber of Racine, and seven grandchildren.